

## League of Women Voters of Delaware

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MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

FROM: RASHMI RANGAN, PRESIDENT

RE:

PSC DOCKET NO. 06-241, CONECTIV ENERGY SUPPLY, INC.'S PETITION FOR REHEARING AND RECONSIDERATION

The League of Women Voters of Delaware would like to express its concern over Conectiv Energy Supply, Inc.'s June 11, 2007 Petition for Rehearing and Reconsideration of the May 22, 2007 Final Findings, Opinion, and Order No. 7199 in the matter of Delmarva Power's RFP.

It is the League's opinion that the process followed by the PSC in arriving at the order was exhaustive, requiring over five months and a substantial sum of taxpayer money to complete. We think that the PSC proceedings were held in a fair, open manner. The timetable was sufficiently flexible to allow all parties opportunity to be heard before the decision was made.

To reopen the matter at this point risks giving the impression that this process was meaningless. Conectiv's implication that the final order was a "capitulation to public opinion" turns the democratic process on its head. On the contrary, the League views it as having been a living demonstration of the principles of good government at work.

The League does not agree that the order was contrary to the intent of HB 6 in its conclusion that wind power is more environmentally friendly than power generated by fossil fuels. We believe that conclusion is beyond dispute, and that it is exactly in accord with the intent of one important requirement of the statute.

Furthermore, Conectiv's suggestion at this late date that, having failed in its bid to provide gas power at Hay Road, it should now be allowed to compete with Bluewater Wind to build an offshore wind farm is simply incomprehensible to us.

The entire petition gives the impression that Conectiv simply wishes all parties to ignore the fact that due process resulted in a decision unfavorable to their interests. To halt, or even further delay negotiations at this point could jeopardize the entire process that so many have worked so hard to bring about.

We therefore would like to express our hope that the PSC will deny this petition and urge all parties to carry out its order in a timely fashion.

## CC:

Jennifer W. Davis, Director, Office of Management and Budget
John A. Hughes, Director, Department of Natural Resources and Environmental Control
Russell T. Larson, Controller General
Arnetta McRae, Chair, Delaware Public Service Commission and Members of the DPSC